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LETTER DATED 10 AUGUST 1992 FROM THE PERMANENT REPRESENTATIVE OF IRAQ TO THE UNITED NATIONS ADDRESSED TO THE SECRETARY-GENERAL

On instructions from my Government, I should like to inform you that United States aircraft continued their violations of Iraqi airspace for purposes of observation and provocation during the period 30 July to 7 August 1992.

30-31 July 1992

Thirty-three sorties, flown by 16 two-aircraft formations at speeds of 600 to 900 kilometres per hour and at altitudes of 1,500 to 8,000 metres and by one single aircraft at an altitude of 18,000 metres, centred over Mosul, Irbil, Dohuk, Tall Afar, Dukan, Amadiyah, Zakho and Ayn Zalah.

31 July-1 August 1992

Twenty-nine sorties, flown by 14 two-aircraft formations and one single aircraft at speeds of 600 to 780 kilometres per hour and at altitudes of 3,000 to 6,500 metres, centred over Zakho, Amadiyah, Dohuk, Mosul, Irbil and Tall Afar.

1-2 August 1992

Fourteen sorties, flown by 7 two-aircraft formations at speeds of 600 to 900 kilometres per hour and at altitudes of 3,000 to 5,500 metres, centred over Irbil, Mosul, Dohuk, Zakho, Amadiyah and Tall Afar.

3-4 August 1992

Thirty-six sorties, flown by 18 two-aircraft formations at speeds of 600 to 900 kilometres per hour and at altitudes of 4,000 to 10,000 metres, centred over Zakho, Amadiyah, Dohuk, Mosul, Irbil and Tall Afar.

4-5 August 1992

Twenty-three sorties, flown by 11 two-aircraft formations and one single aircraft at speeds of 600 to 900 kilometres per hour and at altitudes of 2,000 to 8,000 metres, centred over Zakho, Dohuk, Mosul, Irbil, Tall Afar and Amadiyah.

5-6 August 1992

Twenty-eight sorties, flown by 14 two-aircraft formations at speeds of 600 to 800 kilometres per hour and at altitudes of 5,000 to 9,500 metres, centred over Mosul, Irbil, Dohuk, Tall Afar, Zakho, Amadiyah and the area to the north of Mosul.

6-7 August 1992

Sixteen sorties, flown by 8 two-aircraft formations at speeds of 600 to 900 kilometres per hour and at altitudes of 5,000 to 5,500 metres, centred over Mosul, Zakho, Amadiyah, Dohuk and Rawanduz.

7-8 August 1992

Eighteen sorties, flown by 9 two-aircraft formations at speeds of 600 to 900 kilometres per hour and at altitudes of 5,000 to 7,500 metres, centred over Zakho, Dohuk, Mosul, Irbil and Amadiyah.

I should be grateful if you would have this letter circulated as a document of the Security Council.

(Signed) Abd al-Amir AL-ANBARI
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